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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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WARE VALLEY GARDENS

1944 SEASON

In sending you our list of fine *Gladiolus* for the 1944 season we must again express our thanks and appreciation for your orders last season and for the confidence placed in us to supply you with quality bulbs.

Many new varieties are listed this year and are recommended to you for trial in your garden. All orders are filled with a generous count and extras are included for trial.

TERMS—Cash with order or 25% with order, balance C.O.D. POSTAGE STAMPS not accepted in payment for bulbs.

MINIMUM ORDER—No order accepted for less than \$1.00, no single item for less than 10c.

PLEASE ORDER EARLY—It will allow more time to fill your order carefully and will insure getting the varieties wanted as there is a great shortage of bulbs this year; many varieties will be sold out early and we suggest you give second choice or advise if we can substitute if sold out of variety ordered.

DELIVERY—All orders from the General List are shipped pre-paid. Shipment at any time you request.

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GENERAL LIST

10 bulbs at 8 times the single rate. 3 or more at the 10 rate.

	Per	Large	Medium	Small	Bulblets Per	
ALADDIN	1	.10	.07	.03	100	.20
Large, bright ruffled salmon						
ALCHEMIST	1	.08	.05	....	....	....
Early deep yellow						
ALCONQUIN	1	.10	.07	....	....	....
Bright glowing scarlet with large wide open blooms						
AMADOR	1	.08	.05
Brilliant red						

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	Per	Large	Medium	Small	Bulblets Per	
AMBERGLOW Deep clear amber yellow	1	.10	.07
AMERICAN COMMANDER Clear rich red	1	.15	.10	....	25	.10
ANGELUS Tall ruffled light pink	1	.10	.07	.03	50	.15
ARTHUSA Early light apricot with cream blotch	1	.10	.05	.03	50	.10
AVE MARIE Tall early medium blue	1	.08	.05	.03	....	....
BEACON Salmon scarlet with large cream blotch Tall with many open	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
BELLA DONNA Tall clear blue, early	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.10
BLACK OPAL Tall dark red with 6-8 blooms open	1	.10	.07	.04	....	....
CAMELLIA Blush white tinted pink, large flowers with 6-8 open	1	.10	.05	.03	50	.15
CARILLON A beautiful light pink with cream throat	1	.10	.07	.04	50	.15
CAROLINE W. GANNETT Giant slate rose with cherry blotch	1	2.00	1.25	.75	1	.30
CHAMOUNY Distinctive tall rose with velvety texture	1	.20	.15	.10	25	.20
CHARMAINE Rich deep rose with darker throat	1	.10	.06	.03	50	.20
COLONIAL MAID Tall light lavender	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
COLOSSUS Extra large size pink	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
COMMANDER KOEHL Large tall medium red	1	.10	.06	....	....	....
CONQUEST Light salmon pink with cream throat	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
CORAL GLOW Fine deep orange, large blooms well placed on tall spike	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
DEBONAIRE Tall growing clear, light pink	1	.08	.05	.03
DR. HOEG Velvety deep red—Very attractive	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15

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	Per	Large	Medium	Small	Eulbiets Per	
EARLY ROSE	1	.03	.05	.03	50	.15
Rose with deeper blotch—Early						
EDITH GRACE	1	.20	.10	.05	25	.20
White with wine red blotch—Tall, straight and very attractive						
ETHEL CAVE COLE	1	.15	.10	.05	25	.15
New large light clear pink—Many open						
FIREFLY	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Bright scarlet with cream lines						
GARDENIA	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Cream white—Tall spike always straight						
GOLD DUST	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Early deep yellow—Very early						
GREENLIGHT	1	.15	.10	.05	25	.20
Light yellow with a decided greenish cast—Opens 5-6 large flowers—An outstanding novelty						
GRETA GARBO	1	.15	.10	.05	20	.15
Huge creamy pink—A beautiful and outstanding variety						
HARVEST MOON	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Clear medium yellow, deeper throat						
HECTOR	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Salmon scarlet with white throat marking						
HERITAGE	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Large light pink with many open						
HINDENBURGS MEMORY	1	.15	.08	.05	50	.20
Fine tall sparkling red—One of the best						
IMPERIAL PURPLE	1	.50	.35	.25	10	.50
Deep bright clear purple—Opens 5-6 large well placed blooms on tall straight spike						
IRAK	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Clear silvery grey—A popular variety						
ISOLA BELLA	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Tall ruffled pinkish lavender						
JASMINE	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Clear light ruffled yellow without markings						
J. S. BACH	1	.10	.06	....	....	....
Orange salmon with lighter throat—8-10 open						
KING ARTHUR	1	.10	.06
Large ruffled rosey lavender—Distinctive and beautiful						

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KING LEAR	1	.10	.06
Beautiful new purple with lustrous sheen—Waved and ruffled						
LaFIESTA	1	.08	.05	....	50	.15
Vivid orange—Tall with many open						
LAVENDER QUEEN	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Deep violet lavender—6-8 open on tall straight spike						
LAVENDER RUFFLES	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Pinkish lavender—Clear and slightly ruffled						
LEADING LADY	1	1.00	.75	.50	5	.50
Large ruffled cream with deeper cream throat						
LECNA	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Tall outstanding deep rose red—6-8 open and well placed on tall spike						
LIBELLE	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Large flowered early blue						
MAID OF ORLEANS	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Tall white with cream throat, large flowers, good placement						
MARGARET BEATON	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Snow white with small red throat blotch —Very attractive but tends to crook in hot weather						
MARGARET FULTON	1	.08	.05	.03	50	....
Early clear salmon pink with many open						
MAX REGER	1	.10	.06	....	....	....
Fine light early blue						
MINUET	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Very finest light lavender						
MISS NEW ZEALAND	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Giant pink—One of the largest						
MOHAWK	1	.50	.30	.15	15	.25
Deep maroon—Opens 7-8 on tall straight spike						
MONTENEGRO	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Deep dark red						
MYRNA	1	.15	.10	.05	50	.20
New ruffled cream white—Opens 7-8 —One of the finest of the new ones						
NANA	1	.75	.50	.30	10	.40
Tall straight pure white—New and distinctive						
OGANDA	1	.15	.10	50	.25
The blackest glad.—Very dark red opening 5-6 blooms on tall wiry spike						

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PEGGY LOU	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15	
Rose pink—A prize winner at the shows							
PELEGRINA	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15	
Deep violet blue—Considered the best dark blue							
PFITZERS MASTERPIECE	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15	
Beautiful clear light pink with white throat							
PHYLIS McQUISTON	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15	
Beautiful pure pink with lighter throat—Tall spikes and vigorous grower							
PICARDY	1	.08	.05	....	50	.15	
The best salmon pink—The most popular variety grown							
PRAIRIE GOLD	1	.08	.05	....	....	....
Pure deep golden yellow							
PURPLE BEAUTY	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15	
Clear deep purple—Large round flowers							
RED PHIPPS	1	.08	.05	....	....	....
Light red—5-6 open on tall straight spike							
REWI FALLU	1	.10	.06	.04	....	....
Large deep red—Tall spikes with 5-6 blooms open							
RIMA	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.20	
Beautiful tall lavender pink—Extra fine							
ROCKET	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15	
Large vivid scarlet opening 6-7 large blooms							
ROSA VAN LIMA	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15	
An extra fine light rose pink—Grows tall with 5-6 flowers open on good spike							
SANDRA	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.10	
Light pink with amber blotch							
SENSATION	1	.15	.10	.05	25	.20	
Bright soft rose—Opens many huge florets on tall strong stem—Late							
SHIRLEY TEMPLE	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15	
Very large ruffled cream—Tends to crook in hot weather							
SILENTIUM	1	.20	.15	.10	20	.15	
Tall white with small red blotch—Opens 5-6 on tall straight stem							
SMILING MAESTRO	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15	
Light red—Very large blooms with 5-6 open							
SNOW PRINCESS	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15	
A fine new cream white opening 6-8 blooms							

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STREAK O'BUTTER	1	.08	.05	50	.15
Very tall bronze yellow						
SWEET ALIBI	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Ruffled deep pink with lighter throat —4-5 blooms open on tall spike						
TIEFLAND	1	.25	.15	.10	25	.20
Deep violet blue—Fine outstanding variety						
TIMBUCTOO	1	.10	.07	.04	50	.15
Deep rose red—Large blooms on good spikes						
VAGABOND PRINCE	1	.10	.05	.03	50	.15
A gorgeous mahogany brown with flame blotch—Many open on good spike						
VALERIA	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Light scarlet red—This one extra good						
VISTA BONITA	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Large pink with cream throat—5-6 open on very tall spike						
VREDENBURG	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
A good early pure white—One of the best						
VULCAN	1	.75	.50	.30	10	.50
Fine new purple with 5-6 open—An outstanding variety in this color class						
WHITE GOLD	1	.60	.40	.20	10	.40
A mammoth cream blending to gold in the throat—Strong grower—Very early						
YELLOW EMPEROR	1	.08	.05	.03	50	.15
Very rich yellow—Good grower and fine color						
ZUNI	1	.10	.06	.04	50	.15
Rich smoky combination of salmon and slate with purplish overcast						

CHOICE COLLECTION

A popular collection containing all colors and shades made up of 2 bulbs each of 50 different named varieties but not labeled. No finer collection offered anywhere.

25 LARGE BULBS	\$1.50	Prepaid
50 LARGE BULBS	3.00	Prepaid
100 LARGE BULBS	5.00	Prepaid

The same collection but in Medium size bulbs.

25 MEDIUM BULBS	\$1.00	Prepaid
50 MEDIUM BULBS	1.75	Prepaid
100 MEDIUM BULBS	2.75	Prepaid

CARE AND CULTURE

SOIL AND FERTILIZER

Glads do well on most any soil if they are planted in the open garden where there is plenty of sunshine. You may work well rotted manure into the soil in the Spring by putting into the bottom of your planting trench, then covering with an inch of soil, then planting your bulbs. Vigoro is also good. Two or three applications of commercial fertilizer may be made on the surface along the rows during the growing season before the plants bloom. Any fertilizer should be kept from direct contact with the bulb or foliage. If you wish to grow immense spikes you must fertilize heavily; your plants must also have at least an inch of water every three or four days.

PLANTING

Work soil to a depth of eight inches, or ten inches will be better. For large bulbs they should be covered with not less than six inches of soil. The deeper planting helps keep them upright when blooming. Smaller bulbs should be planted not less than two inches. You may regulate your distance apart in the row by the space you have. Plant rows anywhere from 2 ft. to 3 ft. apart. Plant in rows from two to six inches apart, depending on space and number of bulbs. They do well planted close together, but require more water.

DIGGING AND STORAGE

Our early stock is taken up in late September. The bulbs should be taken up within six weeks to two months after blooming but before the tops begin to get brown. Even if the tops are green, bulbs should be taken up before the ground freezes deeply. After digging cut off the tops close to bulb and put in screen bottomed tray to cure. They should have plenty of ventilation while curing and must not be put in containers more than three or four inches deep. Stir them every few days and keep dry. In four weeks they will be cured so that old bulbs may be removed from the bottoms. They may then be placed in storage.

The storage temperature is best at 40 to 50 degrees. Your storage room should be dry, cool and ventilated and as near uniform as possible as to temperature. It is well to look at your bulbs every two or three weeks. If they are showing signs of too much moisture or looking mouldy, dry them out and give better ventilation. Keep them in small containers and spread thin.

THRIP

The adult *Gladiolus* Thrip is a very small black insect about one-sixteenth of an inch long. The injury causes bleaching of the foliage and drying up of the buds so they do not open.

Start spraying when the plants are up 6 or 7 inches high, and spray every week or 10 days. The Government experts recommend 2 level tablespoons of TARTAR EMETIC (purchase at any drug store), 1/3 lb. brown sugar, 3 gals. of water. Keep this concoction well stirred while using as a spray.

If you are thorough in following out a program of spraying you will have no trouble with Thrip.

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